

FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
WORK SESSION ACTION MEETING  
AUGUST 2, 2017

Mayor Byrd called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Byrd read the OPMA Statement into the record as follows:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

This meeting of the Fairfield Township Committee shall come to order. The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advanced notice of, and to attend the meeting of, the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests are discussed or acted upon. This meeting held on this 2nd day of August, 2017 at the Fairfield Municipal Building in Fairton New Jersey is held pursuant to notice of date, time and place of same having been submitted to The South Jersey Times, The Daily Journal, and The Press of Atlantic City on January 11, 2017 and also duly posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Township Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG / MOMENT OF PRAYER

Mayor Byrd led the flag salute followed by a moment of prayer given by Committeeman Clark.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded as follows:

Committeeman Clark, present; Deputy Mayor Pierce present and Mayor Byrd, present.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Committeeman Gonzalez and Committeeman Manson.

Mayor Byrd announced that Committeeman Gonzalez and Committeeman Manson would not be present due to schedule conflicts. Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any objections. There were none indicated.

ALSO PRESENT:

Township Administrator Wymbys, Township Solicitor Carr and Township Clerk Gonzales.

Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any questions on the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 19, 2017. There were no questions. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING JULY 19, 2017

Committeeman Clark moved to approve the minutes as written seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Deputy Mayor, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

REVIEW OF BILL LIST PROVIDED BY CFO

Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any questions on the bill list provided by the Chief Financial Officer.

Mayor Byrd and Committeeman Clark indicated into the record their conflict on the bill payable to South State Inc. Township Carr recited the declaration of necessity into the record and directed the Township Committee to proceed with the approval of the bill list.

RESOLUTION NO. 115 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$993,652.78  
Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 115 - 2017 seconded by Committeeman Clark.  
Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd read the following into the record as follows:

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING)

There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING (SECOND READING) ( ONE )

ORDINANCE NO. 8 - 2017

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE  
Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to open the public hearing.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to open the public hearing seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call  
Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

There were no comments received. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to close the public hearing.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to close the public hearing seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call  
Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 8 - 2017 on final reading.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt on final reading seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote:  
Clark, yes, Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd read the following Public Comment on Current Agenda Items Only as follows:

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

In order for the Committee to conduct the business of the Township in the most productive manner possible, meeting attendees will be given five (5) minutes, all inclusive, to comment on any agenda item(s) without comment or question from the Committee, but only on items specified on the agenda listed for the current meeting. Please step up to the microphone at the appropriate time, and state your name and address for the record.

Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to open the meeting for Public Comment on Current Agenda Items  
Only.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved and seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce,  
yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

No comments were received. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to close the Public Comment on Current  
Agenda Items Only.

Committeeman Clark moved and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce,  
yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd read the following resolutions into the record as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 116 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND AUTHORIZING THE  
ISSUANCE OF STREET OPENING PERMIT TO SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY  
PERMIT NO. 2 - 2017 - 16 LUMMIS MILL ROAD / INSTALLATION OF GAS SERVICE

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 116 - 2017 seconded by Committeeman Clark.  
Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 117 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND GRANTING  
FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 2 - GOULDTOWN TO SUBMIT AN  
APPLICATION TO THE STATE AND COUNTY FOR A CHARITABLE ROADWAY  
SOLICITATION

Deputy Mayor Pierce noted into the record his abstention conflict on Resolution No. 117 - 2017.  
Township Solicitor advised that his conflict is duly noted, however, there being only two (2) Township  
Committee members present with two (2) other Township Committee that can vote on this Resolution  
would leave the resolution not passed and noted the declaration of necessity.

On a motion by Clark to adopt Resolution No. 117 - 2017 seconded by Byrd. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes;  
Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 119 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MARK BLAUER, BLAUER AND ASSOCIATES, AS THE CONSULTANT TO ASSIST THE TOWNSHIP IN DEVELOPING AND SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 NEW JERSEY SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT (GDBG) PROGRAM

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 119 - 2017 seconded by Committeeman Clark.

Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 120 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND TO APPLY FOR AND OBTAIN A GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 120 - 2017 seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce. Roll

Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 121 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND ADOPTING THE STATE MODEL CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS SMALL CITIES PROGRAM

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 121 - 2017 seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce. Roll

Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 122 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND IDENTIFYING A SMALL CITIES FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY OFFICER

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 122 - 2017 seconded by Committeeman

Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 123 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND APPROVING THE GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN PREPARED BY BLAUER AND ASSOCIATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 123 - 2017 seconded by Committeeman Clark.

Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 124 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND APPROVING A POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL PRODUCED BY BLAUER AND

ASSOCIATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 124 - 2017 seconded by Deputy Mayor

Pierce. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd announced grouping Resolution No. 118 - 2017 and 125 through 132 - 2017 as a Consent Agenda. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to approving the Consent Agenda.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to approve the Consent Agenda seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll

Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to adopt Resolution No. 118 - 2017 and 125 through 132 - 2017 as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 118 - 2017

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE

RESOLUTION NO. 125 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 11, LOT 34 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 126 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 55, LOT 40 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 127 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 19, LOT 9 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 128 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 5, LOT 15 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 129 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 55, LOT 12 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 130 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 55, LOT 13 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 131 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 55, LOT 14 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 132 - 2017

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A SALES CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE BUYER AND FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THAT PUBLIC LAND SALE OF LANDS KNOWN AS BLOCK 30, LOT 10 HELD AT THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL LAND SALE LAW N.J.S.A. 40:A:12-13 ET SEQ ON JULY 19, 2017

On a motion by Committeeman Clark seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce to adopt Resolution No. 118 - 2017 and 125 - 2017 through 132 - 2017 as a Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes, Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd read into the record the Public Comment as follows:

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Committee welcomes participation of interested organizations and individuals during worksession/action regular/action and special meetings. However, in order to conduct the business of the Township in the most productive manner possible, attendees will be given five (5) minutes, all inclusive, including all dialogue, questions, and responses from both the speaker and the Committee for the designated public portion of the meeting. There may be no transference of a speaker's time to other attendees. Please step up to the microphone at the appropriate time, and state your name and address for the record.

Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to open the meeting for Public Comment.

Committeeman Clark moved and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mr. Dennis Pierce, Clarks Pond Road appeared on behalf of the final reading on Ordinance No. 8 - 2017. He advised that there are two (2) mailing addresses for the property that he purchased known as the former Cohanzick Country Club. He advised that one address was perhaps for the former Country Club and the other for the Golf Course.

Mr. Pierce was advised that the Township will be consulting with the Tax Assessor.

Ms. Nancy Ridgway, Irving Avenue appeared and inquired if the members of the Township Committee received compensation for missed meetings.

Mr. Russell Pierce, Fairton-Gouldtown Road appeared and inquired with the same inquiry as Ms. Nancy Ridgway.

Mayor Byrd responded that the Township Committee works 24-7 representing the Township of Fairfield.

Russell Pierce inquired on the status of the load limit on Clarks Pond Road. It was indicated to Mr. Pierce that the Township has contacted the County Engineer and the Township was advised that there is no documentation for weight limit designation.

Russell Pierce reported an issue regarding trash being dumped and lost in our Township roads and right-of-ways. Residents who are utilizing the Convenience Center to dispose of their refuse are not tarping that motorist that are loaded up to take their refuse to the Convenience Center do not tarp their trash and the trash winds up on resident's property and all over our Township.

Dennis Pierce, Clarks Pond Road reported on the meeting held with the Fish & Game State Officials that he and the Township Administrator met with and it appears that their plan is not going to come to fruition. Mr. Pierce thanked the Township Committee and staff for all their support.

Mayor Byrd thanked Mr. Pierce for everything that he is doing to spruce up and open up the former Cohanzick Country Club. Mr. Pierce has acquired the property and has nice plans for the near future.

OLD BUSINESS

Committeeman Clark had no old business to report at this time.

Deputy Mayor had no old business to report at this time.

Township Administrator Wymbs gave an update on the Mark Drive drainage issue. He advised that our Township Engineer has reviewed the inlets. They have been located and there are approximately four seepage pits. The Township will be contacting the County to assist in draining those pits.

Township Administrator Wymbs gave an update regarding the phase plans at the Convenience Center. He advised that the Township will be moving towards Phase II. The design and specifications will be completed in thirty days.

Township Administrator Wymbs reported on a Pre-Construction meeting held regarding the New Emergency Generator.

NEW BUSINESS

There were none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS / REMARKS

Committeeman Clark thanked everyone for coming out tonight and appreciates everyone's suggestion to the Township Committee as it can be very challenging at times and that it is appreciated to receive the public's input.

Deputy Mayor Pierce thanked everyone for their comments and concerns and thanked everyone for coming out to tonight's meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT / REMARKS

Mayor Byrd thanked everyone for coming out tonight and that he also shares the same sentiments that the Township Committee stated tonight. Mayor Byrd stated that we will continue to strive and do our very best.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)  
AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
(ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

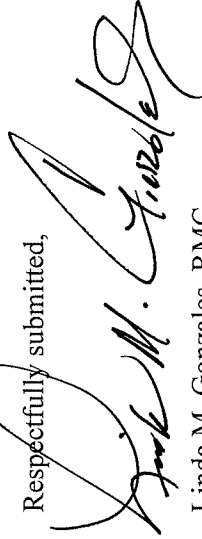
There was no need for an Executive Session tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Township Committee, Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adjourn seconded by Committeeman Clark. All members voted in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda M. Gonzales, RMC  
Township Clerk